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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Second Suspension of Action, At the Initiation of the Office

1. This application was previously suspended because this application is related to one or more co-pending applications with the same specification and related issues that are pending for decision at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Based on the still-pending status of the decision, this application has been further suspended awaiting a decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. The decision by the Board on the co-pending applications is likely to affect the outcome of the current application because they have similar issues and claims with common subject matter.

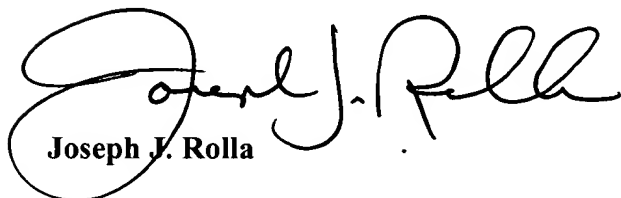
37 CFR 1.103(e) provides that the Office will notify applicant if the Office suspends action in an application on its own initiative.

Accordingly, *Ex parte* prosecution is SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER or until such time as the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences renders a decision, including any request for reconsideration, in at least one of the related co-pending applications, whichever is earlier. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leo Boudreau, whose telephone number is (703) 305-4706. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. The fax number for this Group is (703) 872-9314.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-4700.

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